

The Humble  
**A D D R E S S**

Of the Right Honourable the  
Lords Spiritual and Temporal  
In Parliament assembled,  
PRESENTED TO  
**H I S M A J E S T Y**

*On Friday the Second Day of December, 1757.*

W I T H  
**His Majesty's**  
MOST GRACIOUS  
**A N S W E R.**

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*Die Veneris, 2<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1757.*

**O**Rdered by the Lords Spiritual and Temporal in Parliament assembled, That the Address of this House presented to His Majesty, and His Majesty's most gracious Answer thereunto, be forthwith printed, and published.

*Ashley Cowper,*

Cler' Parliamentor'



The Humble ADDRESS of the Right Honourable the Lords Spiritual and Temporal in Parliament assembled.

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*Most Gracious Sovereign,*



E, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, in Parliament assembled, beg Leave to return Your Majesty our humble Thanks for Your most gracious Speech from the Throne.

The Concern which You are pleased to express for the Disappointments that have unhappily attended some of the Measures, formed by Your Majesty this Year, for carrying on the just War in which we are engaged, is a fresh Mark of Your paternal Regard for the Welfare of Your People, and for the Glory of this Kingdom.

The Testimony which Your Majesty has, at the same Time, given to the Spirit and Bravery of this Nation, and to the ardent Zeal of Your Parliament to retrieve these Misfortunes, is a Proof of the Justice done by Your Royal Mind to our Principles and Sentiments, and the greatest Encouragement to persevere in them.

Affected therefore, as we are, with these Events, we are not discouraged; but we sincerely promise Your Majesty our hearty Concurrence, and most vigorous Assistance, in accomplishing, under the Protection of the Divine Providence, Your wise and gracious Intentions for our Defence and Safety at Home, and for recovering and securing the Rights and Possessions of Your Crown and Subjects in *America*, and elsewhere; particularly, by the utmost Exertion of that essential Part of our Strength, Your Naval Force.

The Preservation of the Protestant Religion, and the Liberties of *Europe*, are Objects never to be forgotten by us. Of this pure Religion, and these invaluable Liberties, *Great Britain* has, in all Times, been a principal Bulwark; and cannot fail to continue so, under Your Majesty's auspicious Reign.



As the late signal Success in *Germany* fills us with unfeigned Joy, so it animates our Hopes to see this glorious Cause revive: And we do, with equal Thankfulness and Satisfaction, acknowledge Your Majesty's generous Declaration, that, for the Sake of it, You will decline no Inconveniences.

To defend Your Majesty against all Your Enemies, to support Your Honour and real Interests, and to strengthen Your Hands, are our indispensable Duty. It shall also be our Endeavour, to improve this Success to the most useful Purposes; and to exert ourselves in supporting Your Good Ally the King of *Prussia*, whose Magnanimity and unexampled Firmness are so evident to all the World, and of such great Utility to the Common Cause.

We have seen, with the utmost Abhorrence, that Spirit of Disorder and Riot which has shewn itself of late amongst the common People. We are sensible that it is inconsistent with all Government, and necessary to be reformed and suppressed. Nothing shall be wanting, on our Part, for this salutary Purpose; and to enforce and add Strength to the Laws, and lawful Authority, on which the Liberty and Property of the Meanest, as well as of the Chief, of Your Subjects depend.

Your Majesty's kind Admonition, of the Necessity of Union and Harmony amongst ourselves, is highly worthy the Common Father of Your People: We will always have it before our Eyes. And we give Your Majesty the strongest Assurances, that our Loyalty and good Affections to Your Majesty, and Your Royal Family, of which we have, on all Occasions, given real Proofs, are never to be shaken or diminished. The Preservation of Your Sacred Person, the Stability of Your Government, and the Continuance of the Protestant Succession in Your Illustrious House, will ever be most dear to us, and essential to the Happiness of all Your People.

### His MAJESTY's most Gracious ANSWER.

My LORDS,

*Nothing could possibly give Me greater Satisfaction, than this very dutiful and affectionate Address. I heartily thank you for it; and make no Doubt, but the Zeal and Vigour which you so seasonably express in this critical Conjunction, will have the best Effects both at Home and Abroad.*



